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Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

For:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the format prescribed in the final rule, Changes to Implement Electronic Maintenance of Official Patent Application Records, 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, 38628 (June 30, 2003) (to be codified at 37 C.F.R. pt. 1), and in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, amendments to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
  - in ascending order;
  - with status identifiers; and
  - with markings in the currently amended claims;
- (D) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.